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Local News

Paw Paw and Vicinity

C. N. Hathaway was in Kalamazoo last Tuesday.

Mrs. Harvey Sherman was a Kalamazoo visitor on Monday.

A. F. Hurlbut went to Covert on business last Saturday.

J. E. Packer has returned from a visit with Hartford relatives.

Verne Decker made a business trip to Chicago on Thursday.

Eck Watson of Lawrence was a Paw Paw visitor on Friday last.

Frank Sherrod of Pontiac was the guest of Paw Paw relatives for the week end.

Miss Alma Harris spent the latter part of the week with relatives in Lawrence.

Miss Irene Pugsley spent the week end at the home of her uncle, Frank Pugsley in Lawton.

Mrs. Myrtle McKinstry of Chicago is the guest of her son Bennett McKinstry and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jennings and two children of Lawrence were in Paw Paw one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sherman are enjoying a visit from his mother who resides in Grand Rapids.

Matt Murphy and Fred Giddings of Lawton were in Paw Paw on business the first of the week.

Mrs. Rachel Bailey of Grand Rapids is a guest at the home of her son Ed Bailey and family.

Mrs. Edward Harvey who is staying in Kalamazoo for the present, spent last Saturday in Paw Paw.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ernsberger spent Sunday last with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Phelps in Lawton.

Maurice Cagney of Kalamazoo called on Paw Paw friends Thursday morning, enroute via Auto to points in Illinois.

Miss Pearl Shepard who is attending school in Kalamazoo spent the week end with her cousin here, Miss Mildred Shepard.

Rev. Arthur Trott's brother and wife who were called here by the sudden death of his mother returned home last Saturday.

Mrs. M. D. Buskirk, Paul Smith and Mrs. Emma Smith were among those who attended the Farmers State Round Up in Lansing.

Mrs. Bert Lyle went to Covert last Saturday and spent the day with her daughter, Miss Anadine who is a teacher in the public schools there.

Postmaster Cole twisted his ankle in some manner Wednesday, and was unable to stand on his foot. He was taken home for repairs, but is now able to be back on the job.

Next Wednesday will be another big Community day at the Coterie. Every woman in the community is invited to be present. Mrs. Jennie Buskirk is in charge of the day.

Zell Donovan of Lawrence was in Paw Paw on Wednesday. He has enlisted in the U. S. Army and goes to Ann Arbor for a short course of preparation for the Ordnance department.

The L. O. T. M. will hold their next regular meeting on Monday evening, March 11th. The commander urges a large attendance to assist him in carrying out a unique entertainment never before tried out.

"Draft No. 258" at the Idle Hour Friday and Saturday night of this week. Every Movie Fan in the country has been anticipating this great feature for weeks, and standing room will be at a premium on both nights.

The Hartford Day Spring has recently added a new Linotype machine of the latest pattern to its equipment. The paper last week was set on the machine, and presents a fine appearance. Congratulations Brother Cochran.

Miss Preston of Ionia gave the ladies of Paw Paw a most interesting library talk at the Coterie Club rooms on Wednesday. She pointed out some of the many benefits to be derived from a public library in any community.

Have you bought your ticket for "Grandma Gibbs of the Red Cross"? Everything points to a crowded house on both nights. The board will be open at Longwell Bros. Store Saturday morning of this week for the reservation of seats. There will be no seats reserved for Saturday night.

Manager Reeves announces Clara Kimball Young in the celebrated feature "The Price She Paid" on Friday and Saturday nights of next week. He has arranged this feature for two nights, to give every one an opportunity to attend the play "Grandma Gibbs of the Red Cross" one evening, and see Clara Kimball Young in this great feature the other evening.

The Friday club will meet this week with Mrs. Ford Wilbur.

Let The True Northerner advertise your auction sales. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Dr. L. Levy, optometrist from Kalamazoo made his regular visit to this village on Wednesday.

Attorney T. J. Cavanaugh was in Cassopolis engaged in the trial of a case in the Circuit court a part of the week.

Attorney Lincoln H. Titus and wife of Kalamazoo were Paw Paw visitors on Wednesday. Mrs. Titus remained for a few days visit with relatives and friends here.

Attorney W. J. Barnard has been out of town for the past two weeks engaged in the trial of cases in the Federal court at Grand Rapids, the Circuit courts in Allegan and Cass counties.

Blue birds and robins have put in their appearance during the spring like days of the week end, but the cold change accompanied by snow on Wednesday has silenced their morning music.

A fine program has been prepared for the Twelfth annual Rural Progress Lecture and Rural Life Conference to be held at the Western State Normal in Kalamazoo on Friday, March 15th.

Let The True Northerner do your auction advertising. Its large circulation insures a crowd and a satisfactory sale. We are in a position to make all arrangements if desired. Secure an auctioneer, clerk and attend to all the details.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton B. Jackson returned to their home here last Saturday after spending the winter in Chicago. They are advertising their household furniture for sale in this issue, as they are planning to seek a home in a warmer climate.

Quite a number of the members of Paw Paw lodge No. 25 F. and A. M. went to Lawrence Wednesday evening to attend a masonic school of instruction. Rising Sun Lodge of that village conferred the Third degree. The local visitors speak very highly of the reception given them by the Lawrence brethren.

The Daughters of the Revolution of this state maintain a work room in the base hospital at Camp Custer three days of each week, where soldiers may go and have their clothing patched, buttons sewed on, or other work of that kind done. Nothing seems to be forgotten in the care, comfort and convenience of the Fighting Men of Uncle Sam.

The True Northerner advertises two auction sales on page six of this issue. One for Carl Bartlett of Porter township on Wednesday, March 13th, and the other for George Gage near Texas Corners on Thursday, March 21st. Mr. Bartlett is having his sale for the purpose of going out of the milk business. He intends to keep only pure bred beef cattle in the future. B. J. Rix is the auctioneer for both auctions.

We learn from the Hart Journal of February 28th, that Earl C. Pugsley who was chairman of the Y. M. C. A. drive in Oceana county last Fall is now the chairman of both "The Liberty Loan" and County Preparedness boards of that county. Earl is a pretty busy boy. In addition to his lucrative law practice, he finds time for church, Sunday school and Men's league activities, besides doing the work in the prosecuting attorney's office. The new prosecutor of that county has enlisted and Earl is taking his place. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Pugsley and a graduate of the local school.

Rehearsals are progressing nicely for the home talent drama, "Grandma Gibbs of the Red Cross" which is to be given at Longwell's Opera House on Friday and Saturday evenings, March 15th, and 16th. This will undoubtedly be one of the most pleasing home talent plays ever given in Paw Paw, and is deserving of a crowded house on both nights. The board for reservation of seats will be out at Longwell Bros. store on Saturday morning of this week. Make your reservations early. There will be no reservations for Saturday evening. Advertising space on page four of this issue gives the cast of characters and the synopsis of the play.

Considerable excitement was caused in the village the first of the week by the discovery at the Court House of what at first appeared to be a charge of dynamite in a huge chunk of coal. The janitor, Emory Ball, made the discovery when stoking the boiler in the basement. The chunk of coal had a piece of fuse protruding from either side and the report rapidly spread over the village that a stick of dynamite had been found in the coal at the Court House. Investigation revealed the fact that the fuse had been burned out, and those familiar with the methods of mining coal say that the fuse was undoubtedly used to set off a charge of powder in the mine. Ordinarily the coal would have broken in small pieces and the fuse have been destroyed; but in this instance this particular chunk of coal remained intact with the fuse running through it. The piece of coal has been on display in the Paw Paw Drug Co's window, and has attracted considerable attention.

Miss Mabel Wheaton is the guest of friends in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

W. C. Mosier has been quite sick and confined to his bed since Tuesday.

W. R. Shirrine was on the sick list the first of the week but is much better at this time.

The members of the Monday Bridge club were entertained by Mrs. E. F. Parks this week.

Miss Lizzie Pugsley delightfully entertained the members of the Maids and Matrons club last Friday evening.

Harvey Sherman was home from Cassopolis over Sunday, returning on Monday to resume his work in the Circuit court.

Mrs. A. O. Duncombe returned the first of the week from a visit with her daughter Mrs. Daniel Riley in Benton Harbor.

Rev. H. Freeman has resigned as pastor of the Christian church and his resignation has been accepted. No arrangements have been made as yet by the church for his successor.

This issue is printed "solid" to permit the publication of just as much news matter as possible. The Annual Tax sale and village financial statement make the space limited and the omission of considerable news matter necessary.

The Regrograve section of the Detroit Free Press of last Sunday contained a fine cut of Lieutenant Ralph M. Rowland, grandson of our own veteran, Capt. O. W. Rowland. Lieutenant Rowland is now on special duty "Somewhere in France."

A. Bilbo had the misfortune to slip on the ice and fall on the sidewalk in front of the post office recently, sustaining quite painful injuries. On account of his advanced years and feeble condition, it will take some time for the bruises and injuries to heal.

Mrs. Frank Miller entertained the Cribbage club at her home Tuesday evening. A sumptuous four course dinner was served at six o'clock by the hospitable hostess, and the evening spent in the fascinating game of cribbage. It was an event long to be remembered.

Miss Bessie Harrison, sister of Mrs. T. J. Cavanaugh, has gone to Camp Pike, Little Rock, Arkansas for service in the base hospital at that camp. She is a graduate nurse from the U. of M. and has enlisted for service as a nurse in the American Red Cross. She is expected to be transferred very soon to France for service at the front.

Think well before casting your vote on the Library question next Monday. Paw Paw now has an opportunity to get a fine library at very little expense. If it is voted down, the proposition is dead forever. It means much to this and future generations, and the extra tax it would entail is infinitesimal when compared to the value of such a magnificent institution to this community.

Prof. Burgess of the M. A. C. will be at the E. A. Wang home in Almena on Friday, March 8th, at 1:00 P. M. for a poultry demonstration. Every person who is interested in poultry raising should by all means attend this meeting. Prof. Burgess is one of the best men in this line in the country, and is not a stranger to Van Buren county poultry raisers.

Van Buren County's contingent of the National army left on Tuesday afternoon per schedule announced last week. Our boys joined the other West Michigan Selects at Kalamazoo for the trip to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. A special train carrying these recruits left over the G. R. and I. from Grand Rapids at 6:00 P. M. Tuesday. Lieutenant Mark Chaffee and Lieutenant Thompson of Camp Custer.

Bertha Bathrick McGrady died at her home in this village last week Thursday afternoon, after a lingering illness extending over a period of five years. Tuberculosis was the cause of her death. She was born on November 29th, 1873 and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elia Bathrick. Paw Paw has always been her home and she was married on June 8th, 1907 to Clark McGrady of this place. Two children were born to them, a daughter now ten years of age and a son of seven. These children together with the husband and one sister are left to mourn the loss of a devoted wife and mother. The funeral was held from the home on Saturday afternoon, and interment was in Prospect cemetery.

Francis Labadie called on several of his Paw Paw friends last Tuesday. Mr. Labadie will be remembered by many Paw Paw people as a dramatic actor in the years gone by. Years ago, he "Put on" the drama "Ingomar" in the grove at Lake Cora, with the assistance of local talent. He is now working in the interest of the Century Lyceum bureau, and while here made a contract with the Paw Paw schools for a fine five number course here next winter. A high school is the proper organization to put on a successful lecture course, and the citizens of Paw Paw will be delighted to know that this community is again to have a high class lecture course. The talent and dates will be announced through these columns in due time.

Charles L. Caler of Camp-Custer spent Sunday with his aunt Mrs. A. E. Douglas.

A. T. Foote has gone to Eaton Rapids for an extended visit at the home of his sister.

Don't forget the Republican township caucus at the Opera House tomorrow, Saturday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. George Austin of Mattawan spent Sunday last at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Winne Fisk east of town.

Hon. Frank O. Gilbert of Bay City Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge, F. and A. M. of Michigan called on Paw Paw friends Thursday.

Bert McLeod will ride in a new Buick Four this summer. The car was purchased through the Warner-Whitehead agency the first of this week.

The fate of the Library Question in Paw Paw is at stake next Monday. Every voter in the corporation should go to the polls on that day and cast a vote on this question.

A. M. DeVall has returned from Kalamazoo. He was unable to stand the duties of his position there in the paper mill, and will conduct the Hamburger Stand here this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Cleveland near Gobleville have rented the Moyle place east of town, better known as the Harwick farm. He will move soon and commence work on the forty acre vineyard.

Lew Jacobs has moved his garage to the building formerly occupied by the Paw Paw Creamery in the rear of Tom Brown's cigar and billiard parlor. This gives him a large commodious garage well lighted and convenient.

Mrs. E. A. Aseltine writes from Miami, Florida, ordering The True Northerner held in Paw Paw until their return. "Don't know just when we will arrive, but hope to reach Paw Paw in about three weeks" she says.

"Kenneth Van Tassel played a solo before the high school last week on an Auto Horn" says the Courier. Kenneth is quite an artist for a boy on the Alto horn, but it is not generally known that he is able to get much real music out of an "Auto Horn."

E. F. Stanley of Kalamazoo has opened a garage and general machine shop in the building formerly occupied by Dr. W. E. Jacobs and Lew Jacobs, on west Main street. Stanley is a competent machinist, and will be equipped to do all kinds of general repair work including Oxygen-Acetylene welding. Advertising space giving details of the new business will be used in The True Northerner next week.

We have a stack of letters from some of the wide awake enterprising ladies of the village giving a million reasons why the Library question should carry next Monday. We sincerely regret the fact that limited space will not permit their publication. We do hope however that their dreams for civic improvement and the welfare of generations to come may all be realized. The vote next Monday will tell the story.

Following are the ladies who met with Mrs. Roy Mosier east of town last week to do Red Cross work: Mesdames Ayars, Haworth, Bangs, Bailey, White, Clapper, Farr, Boess and Bale and the Misses Marian Boess and Jennie Bale. By invitation Messrs. A. T. Foote and A. W. Mosier joined in the dinner hour. "Talk about your Pot-Lucks" said Mr. Mosier, "if all pot-luck dinners are like that one, I would like to have one every day."

If there is a single reader of The True Northerner who has any doubt about the value of advertising, let him ask Frank Avery. Last week under the heading "From the True Northerner of February 22nd, 1893" we published nearly a column clipped from the issue of that date. Among them was an item giving a few prices on commodities advertised by C. R. Avery at that time, "Standard Prints 5 cents, Gingham 5 cents" etc. As a result of this item, scores of people who failed to notice that it was taken from an old paper, flocked to the Avery store last Saturday to stock up on 5 cent prints and gingham. It caused considerable commotion and annoyance at the store to explain the error, but it demonstrated beyond the question of a doubt, that it does pay to advertise.

Monday, March 11th, at promptly 9:30 A. M. there will be held at Almena in the M. E. church a Van Buren County Farm Bureau Institute and Farmers Conference at which a very interesting program will be given. Mrs. Olivia Woodman will talk on Cooperation. Mrs. Woodman's subject will be as usual pleasing and interesting. W. C. Eckard, County Agricultural Agent will take up the subject "Maintaining Soil Fertility" and will be pleased to meet as many farmers from the section as possible to become acquainted. It is planned to have at least one good speaker from outside of the county who will talk on some timely topic. Mr. Eckard desires all to come and take part in the meeting, a little time off from work will prove both pleasurable and profitable. The Ladies Aid Society will serve dinner at noon.

The Circuit Court for Van Buren county will convene on Monday, March 18th. The calendar contains a total of eighty-four cases classified as follows: Criminal, 2; Issues of Fact, 24; Chancery, 43; Cases in which no progress has been made for one year, 15. The criminal cases are, The People vs. George Moore, charged with Burglary and The People vs. Henry R. Baker, charged with False Pretenses. The calendar contains a total of 26 divorce cases.

The John W. Free and Co. Bank uses five whole columns on page five of this issue to boost for the new library. It is a mighty patriotic thing for the bank to do, and the facts stated therein should appeal to every reader of this paper. Read it all carefully. It is good reading and speaks well of the loyalty of the new bank to public enterprise and the welfare of this and future generations.

The Local committee has been working hard the past week on the War Saving Stamp drive. Stamps are now on sale at every business place in the village, and it is a patriotic duty which every man, woman and child owes the government to buy just as many of them just as often as they possibly can. It is not a donation but rather an investment loan to the government. Remember that the government must have the money, if we are to win this war.

Attorney Clarence Darrow of Chicago arrived in Paw Paw on schedule time for the hearing of a case in Probate court as announced in The True Northerner last week. The case in which he was interested was not finished, and will be taken up at a later date. Mr. Darrow has gained national wide prominence. He is attorney for the labor unions in all their big cases, and defended the dynamiters who were convicted of blowing up the Times building in Los Angeles some years ago. He is also a writer of some note. On account of his prominence, Mr. Darrow was invited to address the local schools, and many patrons availed themselves of the opportunity of hearing him. His remarks were not particularly pleasing to many of those who heard him. His thoughts were so far in advance of the present time, that the wisdom of advancing them to an audience of high school students is questionable. Practically every subject now taught in the public school (with the exception of reading, which Mr. Darrow approves) is either foolish or a relic of the inquisition, according to his theory. Such a line of thought coming from a man of Mr. Darrow's prominence and ability, certainly is not conducive to contented enthusiasm and pride in the school room. Mr. Darrow should have been a little more careful in the collection of his thoughts for this particular occasion.

LIST OF JURORS.

March Term 1918.
Anderson, Charles ----- Hartford
Blakeman, Clifford ----- Waverly
Branch, Roy ----- Porter
Carr, A. R. ----- So. Haven City 3rd W.
Cooper, D. W. ----- So. Haven Twp.
Crouse, George ----- Columbia
Crow, Wm. ----- So. Haven City 1st W.
Dorgan, John ----- Pine Grove
Duke, M. ----- So. Haven City 3rd W.
Frude, W. E. ----- Columbia
Givin, Herbert ----- Lawrence
Graham, Andrew ----- Waverly
Hill, Elwin ----- Keeler
Hoag, H. S. ----- So. Haven City 2nd W.
Huey, Glenn ----- Paw Paw
Irwin, Perry ----- Porter
Klinger, Ross ----- Geneva
Livermore, James ----- Bangor
Mason, John B. ----- Bloomingdale
Miller, E. B. ----- Bloomingdale
Moore, A. D. ----- So. Haven City 2nd W.
Morgan, Clifford ----- Covert
McKee, Darwin ----- Decatur
McWilliams, Harry ----- Decatur
Nichols, Lemuel ----- Arlington
Payne, Robert So. Haven City 1st W.
Reynolds, Harry ----- Antwerp
Rose, Seymour ----- Hamilton
Stoughton, Walter ----- Almena
Wilson, George ----- Paw Paw

MEN'S BANQUET.

There will be a Men's Banquet at the Baptist church next Wednesday night at 7:00 o'clock under the direction of the District Superintendent. The three Baptist churches of Lawton, Covey Hill and Paw Paw will participate. The principle speaker will be Mr. R. S. Ackley of Battle Creek. All men will be welcome at this banquet, but the men of the church and congregation are especially urged to be present.

AMOS MELVIN SWEET.

Amos Melvin Sweet was born on a farm near Buda, Illinois in the year 1843 and died at the home of his sister, Mrs. E. G. Olin near Paw Paw, Michigan on February 25th, 1918 at the age of sixty-five years. In 1888 he moved from Buda to Kewanee, Illinois where he resided until 1916. In 1884 he was married to Flora Belle Riley of Kewanee. To this union were born three children, two sons and a daughter. He is survived by his wife, one son Albert of Spring Valley, Illinois, two sisters Ellen Goodwin, Mrs. E. G. Olin and one brother Charles of Russell, Iowa. By these as well as by his large circle of friends, his death is sincerely mourned. Funeral services were conducted from the late home on Wednesday forenoon by Rev. C. H. Heaton and burial was made at Prospect Hill.

HELP THE BOY SCOUTS.

The Boy Scouts of America have been, and are being, trusted by the Government with many an important commission connected with our vast war preparations. The local troop is just now undertaking an important task of distributing government literature. They are also selling thrift stamps and doing many other things to help win the war. They deserve your co-operation and help.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

Mr. E. V. Root, County Commissioner of Schools, appeared before the high school on Monday morning at which time he gave a very interesting and instructive talk upon the problems of the pupil in school. He emphasized the fact that the great aim for the student should be to learn how to attack a problem.

Fannie Cox has returned to school after several weeks absence.

The High School booked a lyceum course for the coming winter, during the past week. The need for such a course has been felt decidedly during the past winter and it is hoped that the people will respond to the community need and support the course liberally.

Miss Elizaeth Pomeroy of the State Library Department is classifying the high school library.

Inez Page is a new member of the Freshmen class.

This week is the end of the fourth six week term. Two more to come.

The graduating class this year numbers twenty-two, the balance of power between boys and girls being neutralized by eleven girls against eleven boys. The girls predominate in the Junior class, which also numbers twenty-two, they have twelve while the boys have but ten.

RIVERSIDE.

Dora Tillotson returned from Kalamazoo with Mrs. Dayton and Donald.

Miss Helen Creagan visited her parents at Decatur over Sunday.

Word comes from Anna Austin that Miss Grace Austin has undergone an operation at Mayo Brother's hospital and is improving nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Casselman spent Sunday with Eli McDougal and family.

Wilbur Wagner was home with his parents over Sunday.

Mrs. Carrie Dayton Tillotson passed away at her home in Cooper, Michigan last week Thursday. Her girlhood days were spent in Waverly and she has many friends here who remember her lovely ways.

Frank Beach has sold his farm and purchased a house and lot in Paw Paw and has moved into this new home.

Dr. Dayton who was called from Bay City to Kalamazoo owing to the death of his aunt, Mrs. Tillotson spent Sunday with his father here. C. W. Dayton was unable to attend the funeral of his sister owing to his illness. He is much improved at this writing.

SOUTH-WEST PAW PAW.

Frank Van Blaricom has a sick horse.

Herman Cody has decided to remain at home this summer.

Mrs. Phoebe Clum is stopping with her brother Eugene Salsbury and family.

Miss Mary Howe was seriously ill at Grand Haven where she teaches. She was brought to the home of her brother Wm. Howe in Paw Paw and is much better at this writing.

Ray Salsbury and wife will go to Ann Arbor Sunday to remain a short time for treatment for their eyes.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sprague took Sunday dinner with her brother Leon Salsbury and family in Paw Paw.

Ida Benedict returned from the hospital in Kalamazoo about a week ago and is rapidly recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

Vincent Sherrod has been finishing and decorating the inside of his house, making it an attractive home.

EAGLE LAKE.

Duane McGuire expects to move into the house recently sold to David Woodman. Ed Woodman will move back to his father's farm which he purchased some time ago.

Will McKeller and family were entertained at dinner at the home of Mrs. Adelbert McGuire Sunday.

Harry Lurkins and wife motored from Benton Harbor Saturday evening returning Monday evening. Harry is a busy man, but seems well and happy.

Mrs. Adelbert McGuire is spending several days in Niles visiting friends and relatives.

John Abrams and family expect to move onto the Tracy Robinson farm this month.